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that my invention may be understood as being a different thing.

I claim-

1. In traction vehicles adapted to make 5 their own track, the intermediate stationary track-forming large wheel, in combination with the smaller traveling frame-bearing wheels upon each side thereof, substantially as described.

2. In traction-vehicles, the combination of the endless belt of grouped wheels, one large track-forming wheel being between two smaller traveling wheels, with an ellipsoidal frame traveling on said smaller wheels, substantially

15 as described.

3. In traction-vehicles having an ellipsoidal frame traveling upon an endless belt of grouped wheels, as described, a group of three wheels, the middle being the largest, and each wheel revolving independently of the other upon the 20 same axle.

4. In traction-vehicles, groups of wheels connected by an endless belt for the travel of an ellipsoidal frame, each group consisting of a large middle wheel touching and bearing upon 25 the ground at the proper time of revolution of the belt, and flanked on the same axle by two smaller traveling wheels free of the ground, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I 30 have hereto affixed my signature in the pres-

ence of two witnesses.

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